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THE LIQUOR LICENSE ORDINANCE

Application for Re- newal of Liquor Licenses

The following Applications for Licenses will be considered at the Annual Meeting of the Board of License Commissioners for License District No. 5, held at Lethbridge on Thursday, the 15th of May, 1909, at 3 o'clock p.m.:

H. E. Muehler, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Windsor Hotel, situate on Lots 1, 2 and 3, Block 4, Plan 712 D, Lethbridge.

William Henderson, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Belmont Hotel, situate on Lots 30 and 31, Block 2, Lethbridge.

William Henderson, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Lethbridge Hotel, situate on Lots 20, 21 and 22, Block 18, Lethbridge.

Henderson and Bowser, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Coalbrook Hotel, situate on Lots 1 and 2, Block 22, Lethbridge.

Hudson's Bay Co., for renewal of wholesale license in respect of the premises situate on Lot 22, Block 7, Lethbridge.

William Porter, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Arlington Hotel, situate on Lots 8, 9, 10 and 11, Block 6, Plan 433 B, Lethbridge.

Henry Hobson, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Royal Hotel, situate on Lots 1 and 2, Block 4, Plan 510 L, Lethbridge.

Joseph Debbis, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Victoria Hotel, situate on Lots 6, 7, 8 and 9, Block 18, Lethbridge.

Donald J. McMillan, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the premises situate on Lot 20, Block 18, Plan 430 L, Lethbridge.

Palace Hotel Company, Ltd., for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Palace Hotel, situate on Lots 36 to 38 inclusive, Block 6, Plan 308 L, Lethbridge.

The Dallas Hotel Company, Ltd., for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Dallas Hotel, situate on Lots 12 and 13, Block 13, Lethbridge.

A. L. Roy, for renewal of wholesale license in respect of the premises, situate on Lot 13, Block 7, Lethbridge.

C. C. Pagnouliere and Spirit Company, for renewal of wholesale license in respect of the premises situate on Lot 11, Block 7, Lethbridge.

Demmon Bros., for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Coal City Hotel, situate on Lots 27 to 29, Block 18, Coal City.

Dated at Edmonton this 6th day of April, 1909.
A. Y. BLAIN,
Acting Deputy Attorney General.

R. P. Wallace, B.C.L.
Barrister, Solicitor, Notary Public
Solicitor for the Eastern Townships
Bank Loans and Insurance

R. F. Brewin
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Dental Surgery
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Doric Lodge, No. 31
A.F. & A.M., G.R.A.
Meets Tuesday
or before the full
moon over Meakins
Store, Railway St.
Visiting brethren
cordially welcome.

J. T. STEPHENSON, W.M.
E. C. MOE, Sec'y.

L.O.O.F.
TABER LODGE
No. 28
Meets every Thursday Evening in
Wayne Street over Meakins's
(at 8 o'clock)
Visiting Brethren always welcome.
S. E. VINE, N.G.
H. P. MUNRO, R.S.

NOTICE
FARM LANDS AND ACRE LOTS
for sale adjoining Taber: water, etc.
Enquire at Post Office or of
AARON JOHNSON.

SHIELLS
HARDWARE
STOVES AND
GRANITWARE

Every Town's Opportunity

Boards of trade in many of the western towns profess to be anxious to advertise the advantages of their particular locations as manufacturing and distributing centers and the surrounding country for its wonderful fertility. Unofficially these boards appear to be willing to contribute as much to such an enterprise as Andrew Carnegie bestows upon a town that consumes a given amount of steel, but officially, the actions of our boards are not so liberal. As far as advertising the natural advantages, or the public accomplishments of a district are concerned, boards of trade are quite unanimous, so unanimous, in fact, that the literature used for one would practically do for all by changing the proper names and slightly altering references to maps.

What practically all boards of trade overlook is the development of their town by fostering home industries, with particular emphasis upon agriculture. We have frequently witnessed, during this present winter, boards of trade neglecting or refusing to lend a hand to give publicity to a seed fair or farmers' institute meeting, while bemoaning the lack of interest the general public outside appeared to be taking in the enterprises of the town. On the other hand, we have seen boards of trade, taking every advantage of farmers' gatherings and shows to bring publicity to the town, and these are the towns that are regarded by outsiders as the most enterprising. In this matter of co-operation between town and country there is no limit. There is no better way to gain a favorable reputation for a town and district than for the board of trade to advertise agricultural events and accomplishments, and to exert every effort to create an interest in advanced and natural methods of farming. In fact, incalculable benefit would accrue to the town if the townsfolk made special efforts to get up meetings for the discussion of farming operations and fairs for the display of farm produce. No town can be prosperous unless the farmers of the district are intelligent and progressive, and the farming community cannot be prosperous without sharing their prosperity with the town. Every farming district is a Cobalt to the town that takes the trouble to develop it.—Farmers' Advocate.

"It is easy to be generous with advice, but if you take our advice, you won't ever give it."

Where fall wheat is sown the method of disking and harrowing during the summer should be continued until it is time to plow for wheat.

The above method of cultivation only pertains to very badly infested fields. It will not be necessary to carry it out where there are only a few weeds present. However, it will always be found advisable to harrow the growing crop of grain when it is from four to ten inches high as soon as the roots are firmly established in the soil. Where only a few weeds are present, they should be hand pulled. Never sow or feed to stock any grain that contains weed seeds.

"When enthusiasm marries perseverance you may be sure that the name of their firstborn will be success."

"If someone hadn't been enthusiastic we might still be running people down with carriages instead of motor-cars."

A. Potter & Co
Tailors, Clothiers and Outfitters
76 MEN WHO KNOW

Cultivate the Soil Everyone Pleased

If You Wish to Destroy weeds

The time has arrived when the farmers are again cultivating the soil for the season's crop. In cultivating the soil it is well to handle it in such a way that the weeds will be kept under control. The majority of the noxious weeds in Alberta are one year plants, or annuals, and belong to the mustard family. The seeds of the mustards are of an oily nature and will live in the ground for a long period without losing their vitality, germinating when brought under the proper conditions. The only way to eradicate them is to get the seeds to germinate and kill the plants while they are young, before they mature their seed. Before these seeds will germinate they must be very close to the surface of the soil, not deeper than two inches, and the soil must be firmly packed around the seed. If there were many weeds in last year's crop, it will be found advisable to burn the stubble off in the spring. This will destroy many of the seeds that are on the surface of the ground, and will render the soil more easily cultivated. If the stubble is burned, care should be taken to prevent prairie fires by plowing around the field. The soil should then be disked and harrowed. This will encourage the seeds near the surface of the ground to germinate, and by successive cultivations with the disk or harrow they will be destroyed and other seeds brought under such conditions that they will germinate. If this practice of disking and harrowing is followed up to the first of June a large number of weed seeds at the surface of the ground will have been destroyed. The land can then be plowed and packed if possible and an early maturing variety of barley sown. In northern Alberta it is safe to sow beardless barley as late as the middle of June.

When the crop is about four inches high and the roots are firmly established it should be harrowed with a light lever harrow with sloping tooth. This will destroy the weed seeds that have started as well as encourage the growth of the crop. The harrowing should not be done when the ground is wet, as the dirt will stick to the harrows and have a tendency to destroy some of the grain. If there are only a few weeds left they can be hand pulled, but if there is a large quantity, it will be advisable to cut the crop for green feed before the reach maturity. Usually however, it will be found that the barley will choke out any weeds that come up afterwards.

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Probably the greatest compliment that could be paid the officials and directors of the first annual horse show and also the splendid horse bred and owned in Alberta was the freely and openly expressed manner in which the many different government officials and judges who were in attendance paid tribute to and stated their opinions in complimentary words of the quality of the stock shown and offered for competition. As these opinions come from men and experts who do nothing else but spend their time attending just such shows and in other ways inspecting the grades of horses, cattle, sheep and hogs on exhibition in various parts of the Dominion they are worthy of consideration.

PAIRED GENEROUSLY

Every good judge of good horses was not a bit backward in saying that the stock shown as a whole was the equal of any they had ever seen. And this does not refer to any one class by any means.

The light well-bred Clydes, good as they were, were not point better than the splendid shires, and the fine looking Suffolk punches did not need to doff their hats nor bow their heads to either the Clydes or the shires. And that is not all. The percherons were equally as worthy of consideration as were the Clydes and shires, and each and every champion in his or her respective class was just about as good an animal as can be found in any show ring in Canada. In the light horse classes the breeders of Alberta very clearly demonstrated that they can hold their own against the best that can be produced anywhere.

DIFFICULTIES OF JUDGING

Prof. Black, who has had a long and varied experience in the judging ring frequently told the press representatives present he had never in all his career experienced such difficulty in selecting winners from the many excellent bunches paraded before him for inspection. This is especially true in the polo pony, standard-bred and driving classes. He was also enthusiastic over the saddle horses and hackneys he judged.

SHOWS RESULT OF EFFORTS

The early efforts of Alberta breeders to improve the grade of their stock has met with a large measure of success was clearly shown when the competitions which called for cartage teams, delivery teams and general purpose horses of all grades were in progress. No country on earth could show a better all-round bunch of horses for the purpose and no eastern or western metropolitan centre has on its streets better or more up-to-date rigs than those seen in Sherman's rink during the past three days.

ALBERTA FOREVER

It has long been claimed that the Alberta horse, like its neighbor the Alberta steer, has no superior anywhere, and Mr. Horse came out this week in all his glory and made good that same claim. In conclusion it might also be said that Mr. Alberta woman and Mr. Alberta man were also at the show and proved they were quite capable of demonstrating all the best there is in Mr. Mrs. and Miss Alberta horse.

In the year 1909 there will be four eclipses, two of the sun and two of the moon. A total eclipse of the sun on June 17th, visible in Canada. An eclipse of the sun on Dec. 14th, visible in Canada as a partial eclipse. A lunar eclipse on June 3rd, not visible in Canada. A central eclipse of the moon on Nov. 23rd, invisible here.

Any Lady Can

enjoy the luxury of a good shampoo at home in the privacy of her boudoir if she uses

Savoderm Soap

Its smooth cream like lather not only soothes and cleanses the scalp but prevents dandruff, and leaves the hair soft and glossy.

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BRICK STORE, HOUGH STREET

Eastern Townships Bank.

Established 1850
CAPITAL AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$5,250,000

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ON AND AFTER SATURDAY, JANUARY 2ND, 1909, THIS BANK will follow the Custom of other Canadian Chartered Banks BY CLOSING SATURDAYS AT 12 O'CLOCK NOON.

E. C. Moe,

MANAGER,
Taber Branch

TABER LANDS FOR SALE

In Townships 10 and 11, Range 17, West of 4, very close to the Town of Taber in Southern Alberta:—
South E. 1/4 of 5; all 7; West 1/4 of 8; all 12, 13, 17; East 1/4 of 18; all 19, 20; West half of 26; all 28, 30; East 1/4 of 31; all 33, 34, 35, 36; or any quarter or half section of the above lands in Township 11, R. 17, W. of 4.

I have also the following Lands for sale in Township 10, Range 17, West of 4:—North part of Section 12 (113 acres); South W. and North E. quarters of Section 24, all 25; West 1/4 of 26; North 1/4 of 27; South halves of 31, 32 and 33.

Write or wire me for prices of any quarter, half or whole section of the above lands, as I can deliver any of the above quickly.

J. J. WHITE,
25, Northumberland Street, Edmonton.

"The Pioneer Merchants"

Our stock of HARDWARE is now complete in all lines and it was always a pleasure to show "good goods."

We have just received a very complete assortment of Farmers' Forges, Flowers, Anvils and everything that is required in the Blacksmith's Shop.

We also handle the "Diamond A" and "New Century" Washing Machines, both of which we guarantee satisfaction or money refunded.

A Car of Wood Fibre just in.

HARDWARE DEPARTMENT
NEXT DOOR TO PALACE HOTEL

The Taber Trading Co., Ltd.

E. C. JONES Car of Summit Lime
JUST IN

Painter, Paper Hanger, Sign-
Writer. Estimates free

Agent for the famous Best Vapor
Gas Light Co.

All kinds of FARM MACHINERY,
TUDHOPE RUGGIES

S. E. VINE

JUST CURED HIM THAT WAS ALL

WHAT DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS DID FOR THOMAS MOON.

Doctors Could Not Cure His Dropsy but Dodd's Kidney Pills Cleared It Out Completely.

Maidstone, Sask. (Special).—"Cured me completely," says Thomas Moon, of the Kidney Pills did for me. Such a statement made by Thomas Moon, a well-known resident of this place who for two years suffered with Dropsy Swellings brought on by diseased kidneys.

"I had pains in the small of my back," Mr. Moon continues, "and across my loins. The swelling commenced first in my legs and gradually went to my body. I tried different doctors but kept getting worse every day until I was swollen up to an awful size."

"One doctor sent me to the hospital where I got a little benefit but the swelling soon all came back."

"Then I used Dodd's Kidney Pills and as I said before they cured me completely."

Dropsy Swellings are caused by diseased kidneys failing to take the surplus water out of the blood. Cure the kidneys with Dodd's Kidney Pills and the Dropsy naturally cures itself.

Just a Confession.

"Though I am no philanthropist," the swindler said, "it's true I'm always on the lookout for The good things I can do."

Mothers Value This Oil.—Mothers who know how suddenly cruel may seize their children and how necessary prompt action is in applying relief, always keep at hand a supply of Dr. Thomas' Eucalypti Oil. Because experience has taught them that there is no better preparation to be had for the treatment of this ailment. And they are wise, for its various uses render it a valuable medicine.

Wife—I saw Mr. Chacer this afternoon and he looked very bad. What's the matter with him—do you know?

Hubby—Compound fracture.

Wife—What sort of compound fracture?

Hubby—He's broke, and Miss Doughbag, discovering that fact, broke her engagement.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Repeat

It:—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

Slug 47—How do you spell— Old-fashioned Proofreader — Any way you please. All roles of spelling have been abolished.

SAVED BABY'S LIFE

Mrs. T. Osborn, Norton Mills, Vt., says—"I have no hesitation in saying that Baby's Own Tablets saved my baby's life and I cannot praise them in praise of this medicine. He was so weak and sickly that he took no notice of anything, and cried so much that I was worn out caring for him. After giving him the Tablets three times a great change, and he is now a bright-eyed, laughing baby, the pride of our home. Baby's Own Tablets cure all stomach and bowel troubles, break up colds, destroy worms and keep little ones healthy and happy. Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

"Officer," said the whimsical tourist to the big, strapping policeman who had saved him from being run over by an automobile, "you remind me of a character in one of Kipling's stories. You've heard of Kipling?"

"Kip Kipling," said Officer Hoiligan. "Sure! He runs a Chinese laundry about four blocks from where I live. Trol along, sonny."—Chicago Tribune.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

A member of the Nebraska Legislature was making a speech on some momentous question and in concluding said:

"In the words of Daniel Webster, who wrote the dictionary, 'Give me liberty or give me death'."

"One of his colleagues pulled at his coat and whispered:

"Daniel Webster did not write the dictionary; it was Noah Webster."

"Noah nothing," replied the speaker; "Noah pulled the ark."—Buffalo News.

The bald-headed man was asked if he missed his hair much.

"Only when some one asks a question makes me so mad I want to pull it," he replied pleasantly.—Philadelphia Ledger.

KIDNEY PILLS

DR. CHAS. E. HALLAM'S KIDNEY PILLS FOR GRAVEL, RHEUMATISM, DIABETES, NEURALGIA, MIGRAINE, AND ALL AFFECTIONS OF THE URINARY SYSTEM.

W. N. U. No. 730.

SLOAN'S NOMINATION.

"Bills" Opponent Backed Down After Nerve-Racking Wait.

In Mr. William Sloan, familiarly known as "Bill" Sloan, the House of Commons has a giant (physical, not political) and a highly popular member. Standing well over six feet tall, with the physique of a Life Guardsman and muscular strength capable of procuring food for a regiment of miners and lumbermen, he has roughed it with the best, and encountered adventures innumerable. But, he himself says, none of his worst experiences was half so exciting as an incident which occurred during the last election.

Comox-Atlin is one of the largest, if not the largest, constituency in the Dominion, having an area several times greater than New Brunswick, while the facilities for traveling are by no means the best. A campaign, therefore, is both an arduous and expensive business. Before the election drew near, Bill entertained hopes that he would be elected the trouble and expense of such a campaign would be doomed to disappointment, the Conservatives putting up a candidate of considerable name and standing as the sitting member a run for his money. As the campaign progressed, however, "Bill" Sloan's courage and courage and when nomination day arrived the story got wind that he was a quitter.

Both candidates were present at the nomination meeting, and the excitement was so great that it became known that the Conservative candidate had his nomination papers and money tucked into his pocket when he came to putting them in. Slowly the time dragged along and at last the election was over. Sloan, when an exuberant Liberal was disposed to assume that Bill Sloan was as good as elected, the Conservatives were significantly placed a hand in his pocket where the papers lay, and then the Liberal's various uses render it a valuable medicine.

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ONLY THING THAT HELPED HIS KIDNEYS

British Columbia Likes Gin Pills.

Chilliwack, B.C.

I divide the year about equally working on this ranch and on various logging jobs, being consequently entirely dependent on bodily fitness for a living. At times I have suffered like many others in this country from backache and weak kidneys, sometimes to the extent of being laid up for weeks together. Having tried many remedies I have pleasure in stating that your Gin Pills are the only one from which I have derived any permanent benefit. I had been using them only a short time when the trouble left me, and has not returned since. J. EDWARD JAMES.

Try them at our expense. Write for sample box, free if you mention this paper, then, when you see that Gin Pills are helping you, you can get them at your dealer or from us direct, 50c a box for \$2.50.

Dept. R-1, National Drug & Chemical Co., Limited, Toronto.

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So Was Mother.

Even if there had not been kernels of rice on her hat and a glad light of love in her eye, any boy could have told you that your mother was a bride. And the manner in which she spoke to her husband showed they had not been married long. A man in the passing crowd spied the couple and nudged out to them.

"Well, well, Agnes," he cried, extending his hand, "you don't mean to tell me you're married?"

"Why—why, yes," the girl stammered, vivid color mounting to her cheeks as she tried to defend her modesty. "But—"

"It runs in the family. Mother was married, too."

It is wise to prevent disorder. Many cases lead to disorders of the stomach and are free from them. At the first manifestation of indigestion, stomach and liver are not performing their functions, a course of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills should be tried, and it will be found that the digestive organs will speedily resume healthy action. Laxatives and sedatives are blended in these pills but no other preparation could be so effective as they are.

"Your collection of water-colors is very nice," said Mrs. Swellman, "but you have no oil paintings?" "No, indeed," replied Mrs. Kurland, "I don't consider them safe." "Not safe?" "No, in case of fire, you know."

"Some men," said Uncle Eben, "has a way of keepin' their consciences quiet by takin' de minister's advice for de minister de lawyer's advice all de time."—do we not?

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

"I'm wondering what your father would say if he saw you smoking?"

"Well, why I don't know as I care much about what he'd say. I'm wondering what he'd do."—New York World.

Another Victim.

"Kind lady," says the frayed and frazzled gentleman who has rapped round the back door, "could you spare a little something for a poor earthquake sufferer?"

"What earthquake are you suffering from?" skeptically inquires the kind lady.

"The one in Sicily, madam."

"In Sicily?" consoles you couldn't have reached here before that happened."

"I was here when it happened, madam. But you see, you see, I couldn't have loosened up a dime or quarter for me have sent all their money to the relief fund, and that lets me out."—Chicago Post.

The Uses Of Bile In Indigestion

Bile is quite as important as are the gastric juices in the process of digestion.

Chronic indigestion disappears when an active liver supplies bile in sufficient quantities.

You think of bile as something disagreeable and poisonous, something to be well rid of. In the blood the bile is poisonous and harmful, but the liver takes the bile out of the blood and pours it into the intestines, where it fulfills a most important mission.

Without bile human life is short, for bile hastens the passage of the food along the alimentary canal.

Bile neutralizes the acid which passes from the stomach to the intestines. Bile prevents the fermentation of food in the intestines, which in turn causes gas, wind, flatulency.

Bile, in short, is Nature's cathartic and maintains a regular and healthy process of digestion and of elimination of waste matter by way of the bowels.

But to have a regular flow of bile the liver must be kept healthy and active and just here is where Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills come in, for they are definite, specific and direct in their action on the liver.

It is only by seeing the liver right that constipation can ever be cured. It is only by making the liver healthy that biliousness and bilious headaches can be thoroughly overcome. It is only by making the liver active that the most difficult cases of indigestion and dyspepsia will ever vanish.

A single box of Dr. A. W. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills at 25 cents a box will convince you of their extraordinary merits. One pill a dose at each meal, or after each meal, for constipation, or for biliousness, or for indigestion, or for headache, or for any other ailment, and you will be cured.

Dealers, or Edman, Bates & Co., Toronto.

SUNKEN TREASURE.

Company Has Made Unavailing Efforts to Recover Some.

The ship Alfred Nobel, from London to cruise in search of hidden treasure, and which was to have returned to England with high gold and silver and precious stones from sunken wrecks uncharted except to the British Admiralty, came back as bare as Mother Hubbard's cupboard.

The South African Salvage Co., and one of her objectives was Paul Kruger's lost treasure ship, the Dorothea, which lies in seven and a half fathoms of water two miles east of Cape Vidal, on the Tenedo coast, off the Zulu coast.

The Kruger gold, which Oom Paul, so the story runs, sent out of the Transvaal for safety, was said to run to the value of \$3,000,000, and it was supposed to have been taken into the bottom of the Dorothea with 200 tons of sand ballast spread over it. Altogether, the ship was said to contain 380,000,000 worth of treasure.

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Erratic Science.

"Mushrooms always grow in damp places, and so they look like umbrellas," wrote a small boy in the science examination. Other examples of the "howlers" are compiled by a writer in the Scientific American.

"Air is the most necessary of all the elements. If there were no such thing as air, it would be like writing the letter 'a' without the letter 'a'."

"Pneumatics, now, also, there would be no pneumatic tires,

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LARGE SHIPMENT OF BABY
CARRIAGES AND GO-CARTS.
Select early and get
what you require

all and inspect our stock of
CARPETS,
LINOLEUMS,
CURTAINS,
AC., AC.,
Before Spring Clean
THE TABER FURNITURE CO

**Synopsis of Canadian North-West
Land Regulations**

ANY person who is the sole head of a family, or
any male over 18 years of age, may homestead
quarter-section of available Dominion land in Mani-
toba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must
reside in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or
Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may
be made at any agency, on certain conditions, by
father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister or
intending homesteader.
Duties.—Six months' residence upon and cultivation
of the land in each of the three years. A homesteader
may live within nine miles of his homestead on a
farm of at least 80 acres, and occupy and occupy
for him or by his father, mother, son, daughter,
brother or sister.
In certain districts a homesteader in good standing
may prevent a quarter-section alongside his
homestead. Price \$2.00 per acre. Duties.—Must
reside six months in each of the three years from date
of homestead entry including the time required to
clear homesteaded portion and cultivate fifty acres
extra.
A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead
right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a
purchased homestead in certain districts. Price
\$10.00 per acre. Duties.—Must reside six months in
each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and clear a
house worth \$300.00.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertise-
ment will be paid for.
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Fresh and salt meats of all kinds
Fish in season, butter, lard and
fresh sausage, lamb and mutton

J. B. Jett & Co

NUT COAL

We are now making a splendid
grade of clean, uniform sized NUT
COAL, just the thing for domestic
use. Try a load of it and you will
use no other.

\$2.50 PER TON
AT THE MINE

**Canada West Coal
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Harnesses, saddles, whips, robes,
blankets and everything for your
horse. Special attention given
to orders of all kinds

SEE OUR STOCK OF
LAP ROBES & HORSE BLANKETS
JUST ARRIVED.

Notice to the Public

The undersigned builders and con-
tractors are prepared to furnish plans
and specifications for buildings of all
kinds and sizes. Address them at
the Taber Hotel.

McKellar & Wildman
Builders and Contractors

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All work guaranteed in every way.
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It follows the sign that leads to this
ard. It is the best place we know
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SEASONED LUMBER.
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stand the ravages of time, and will
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THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 1909.

Notes and Comments

One thing about Alberta you don't
have to pay anything extra for the
additional sunshine.

Morgan, a representative of the
mine workers, has arrived in Fernie
to represent the International Union
in the coal strike. If Mr. Morgan
is not the smoothest diplomat that
ever came over the trail he has a
mighty hard time before him.

It is about time that the people
who own houses in this most excel-
lent town get busy with the paint-
brush. The town looks in too many
places like something that had been
laid to one side to take care of itself,
whereas it ought to blossom in all
the glory of paint like the rose or
anything else that is bright and good
to look at. We desire to put on
record the thanks of the community
to a few people who have brightened
up their buildings with paint. Let
there be more of that sort of thing.

What about lacrosse this 'year in
Taber? A meeting of the Alberta
Lacrosse Association was held in
Calgary last week. The towns repre-
sented were Calgary, Edmonton,
Strathcona and High River. Leth-
bridge and Red Deer were not repre-
sented, but intimated that they were
willing to join the league this year.

Owing to the great number of
intermediate teams they were divided
into three districts—the northern,
central and southern. The northern
will be composed of teams from Ed-
monton, Lacombe and Red Deer;
the central from Calgary, High
River and Nanton; and the southern
will be made up of teams from
Lethbridge and Macleod and one
other town. Why should not Taber
get into the game this year? We
believe that there is no game played
to-day in this country, unless we
except professional baseball, in which
so much enthusiasm is displayed as
in Canada's national game. We
have in Taber some very good mat-
terial for a lacrosse team, and there
is no doubt that with good practice
Taber would be able to put up a
good showing. Besides it helps to
advertise a town, and now that the
largest towns have entered the league
and one more entry is required to
complete the southern section we
believe it is up to our local lacrosse
enthusiasts to get busy.

Taber Public School Report

The results of the Easter examina-
tions given by the teachers in Taber
Public School are as follows:

MR. TRACEY'S ROOM Standard VI.		Tot.	Rank.
Mary Simon.....	485	1	
Standard V.			
Bert Pierson.....	393	1	
Clarence Holman.....	383	2	
Phyllis Hobbs.....	379	3	
Duncan Weaver.....	338	4	
Raymond Jensen.....	278	5	
Bessie Holman.....	225	6	
Rachel Russell.....	221	7	
Mabel Douglas.....	187	8	
Alice Beck.....	147	9	
Nathan Johnson.....	126	10	
Standard IV.			
Wayne Winches- ter.....	463	1	
Iris Hobbs.....	401	2	
Johnny Bullock.....	389	3	
Marjorie Powell.....	376	4	
Lizzie Fraser.....	305	5	
Bella Clark.....	292	6	
John Fraser.....	270	7	
Lillian Wilson.....	244	8	
Agnes Oakland.....	241	9	
Lowell Dun- combe.....	219	10	
Reila Love.....	159	11	
Annie Mewhin- ney.....	120	12	
Dorothy Causey.....	24	13	
MISS BEARD'S ROOM Senior III.			
Doris Black.....	411	1	
Leland Wilson.....	377	2	
Jean Miller.....	373	3	
Blanche Van Or- man.....	353	4	
Hylene Jensen.....	328	5	
Raney Pierson.....	296	6	
Sylvia Edwards.....	286	7	
Annie Johnson.....	212	8	
Junior III.			
Alice Simons.....	389	1	
Hah Hobbs.....	361	2	
Charles Tufts.....	321	3	
Louella Weaver.....	292	4	
Lavonne VanOr- man.....	216	5	
Janet Fraser.....	189	6	
Demar Collett.....	174	7	
Geo. Christensen.....	76	8	
Evelyn Truswell.....	15	9	
MISS FULON'S ROOM. Class I.—Averages.			
Willard Cook.....	81		
Stella Fields.....	79		
Alma Clarke.....	71		
Ruby Haynes.....	69		
Willie Hansen.....	67		
Mary Whitaker.....	66		
Ava Pierson.....	63		
Grace Gellatly.....	62		
Noble Hobbs.....	60		
Roy Nilsson.....	58		
Van Duncombe.....	48		
Beth Douglas.....	48		
Mary Bell.....	42		
Poster Workman.....	41		
Raymond Caldarau.....	32		
Class II.			
Melvin Ite.....	67		
Forrest See.....	64		
Harris Fraser.....	63		
Louella Tufts.....	61		
Ferry Workman.....	56		
Bertha Jansen.....	56		
Eles Haynes.....	52		
Willie Haycock.....	51		
Kathie Haycock.....	50		
Julia Garrick.....	48		
David Russell.....	37		
Agnes Brand.....	37		
Wilfred Duggan.....	34		
Roy Harris.....	29		
Bertha Oakland.....	23		
MISS McLEOD'S ROOM. Standard IV.			
Flora Hull.....	688		
Grace Davis.....	653		
Vernon Biglow.....	639		
Jean Primrose.....	630		
Standard III.			
Russell Wellington.....	693		
Leona Holman.....	586		
Willie Carroll.....	568		
William Young.....	440		
John Young.....	419		
William Birch.....	406		
Standard II.			
Kathryn Kidd.....	656		
Fernie Beck.....	643		
Helen Strong.....	619		
Donald Blue.....	601		

Complimentary Smoker

A complimentary smoker in honor
of A. J. McLean, member-elect for
Lethbridge district, was given on
Thursday evening, April 6th, in the
Taber Opera House and was a great
success. The Taber Brass Band
was in attendance and gave several
selections in splendid style. The
chair was occupied in a creditable
manner by R. A. VanOrman. A
number of enthusiastic speeches
were made by local citizens testify-
ing as to the satisfactory results of
the recent campaign, and as to the
high character and merit of Mr.
McLean, who was elected by a
substantial majority as an Indepen-
dent member. The brief but lively
campaign was well organized,
and with a candidate so well and
favorably known throughout the dis-
trict the victory was a comparatively
easy one. Mr. McLean has lived in
this district for some 25 years and
has large interests here. In his ad-
dress Mr. McLean thanked the
speakers for their kind words and
the citizens for their loyal support
during the campaign, and promised
to do all in his power in the interests
of the district as a whole.

The other speakers were as fol-
lows: Mayor Douglas, S. Ervine, W.
A. Aubin, Alderman Hutton (Leth-
bridge), Mr. Rogers (Lethbridge), J.
J. Brown, Hopkins Evans, W. Burko,
Dr. Leech and Dr. Lang.
During the evening two vocal solos
were rendered by Mr. Moses Simp-
son, which were much appreciated.
Mr. J. J. Walton also gave a mono-
logue which brought the house down.
An invitation had been sent to Dr.
Rivers of Raymond, the Liberal
candidate, to be present at the
smoker, and he intended coming but
was prevented by unforeseen circum-
stances.
After the programme refreshments
were served and altogether a very
pleasant evening was spent.

What Alberta is Doing

Okotoks Review—Alberta is 700
miles north and south and 350 miles
wide. It is larger than the German
Empire and twice as large as Great
Britain and Ireland. It is a little
world of opportunity all by itself and
the time to grasp it is right now.
Ranches selling now at \$25 were
owned a dozen years ago at \$3 per
Ten years will see the price \$50 or
better, and the then old-timers will
tell about such and such a section
having been sold at \$25. Get into
the game and stay with it, yo dis-
contents, who grutch at the little
world you know and think that is
all there is in it.

"I've come to kill a printer," said
the little man. "Any printer in
particular?" asked the foreman. "Oh,
anyone will do. I prefer a small one,
but I've got to make some sort of a
fight or leave home, since the paper
called my wife's Christmas party a
"swill affair."

Standard II. (continued)	
Arthur Hull.....	549
Lloyd Kincaid.....	544
Louise Kincaid.....	478
Fred Laessle.....	412
Alvin Beverley.....	402
Promoted from Pt. II. to St. IV.	
Iole Kincaid.....	438
Rune Holman.....	428
Raymond Hull.....	427
Margaret Tomi.....	425
Bernice Carroll.....	394
Beatrice Spark.....	318
Promoted from Pt. I. to Pt. II.	
Cyril Beverley.....	215
Hazel Strong.....	213
Jeanne Malo.....	196
May Miller.....	176
Roy McBrayne.....	125

The Late Sad Accident at Bridge

We published last week the par-
ticulars of the sad accident by which
Mr. Cecil A. Darrow lost his life.
Mr. Darrow was born at Shell
Rock, Ia., Feb. 21st, 1871, and was
in his 39th year at the time of his
death. When he was 18 years of age
the family removed to Morris, Minn.
Mr. Darrow enjoyed the advantage
of attending school regularly and
when 18 years old entered the Wil-
mar College where his course was
marked by diligence and success.
Later he took up land at Seering,
North Dakota, where he remained
four years. Two years ago, accom-
panied by his father, mother, and
brother, Mr. Mason, he came to Taber,
and took up a homestead north of
the Belly River.
He was remarkably dutiful to his
parents and untiring in his effort
to make their circumstances agreeable
and comfortable. The sorrowing
family wish to thank their many
friends for the great kindness and
sympathy shown them in their
affliction.
The comrades of the deceased with
whom he worked on the government
bridge shewed in a very substantial
way their high regard for their
friend.

Evangelistic Services

A great simultaneous evangelistic
campaign has been started all through
the Kootenay District under the
auspices of the Presbyterian Church.
Prominent evangelists and singers of
the Chapman-Alexander party and
ministers from the East are setting
fire to the mining towns of the Koot-
enay. From the opening, the work
has been a success and local papers
are printing good reports. Taber is
included in the campaign and meet-
ings will be held in the Presbyterian
Church every day except Monday
from April 15th till April 25th. The
evangelist in charge is the Rev. H.
A. Berlis, of Knox College, Toronto,
who has had a good experience and
is full of enthusiasm. We wish
every success to this good effort.

Alberta Has Highest Yield of Wheat and Oats

**Average of Farmer was Thirty-
Three Bushels per Acre—High
River Shipped Over Million.**

High River, Alta., April 11.—The
province of Alberta again stands first
among the provinces for having the
greatest yield per acre in wheat and
oats. The wheat yield per acre in
Alberta last year was 33 bushels, and
the oat yield 49 bushels. The town
of High River, Alberta, has the honor
of being the largest grain shipping
point in Canada, 1,026,182 bushels
of grain having been shipped this
season to date from High River; 744
cars were supplied for these ship-
ments. Five years ago not a bushel
of grain was shipped from this point.
Last season 315,000 acres were under
cultivation in the High River district.
To a High River farmer, D. C. Mc-
Donald, also belongs the honor for
the record yield of fall wheat. From
a field of 60 acres Mr. McDonald
threshed 3,570 bushels, or an average
of 59 1/2 bushels per acre. R. D. Bower,
another High River farmer, has made
a record from a 41 acre field, which
he has had under cultivation for four
years. During that period the field
has earned \$5,376.50, or \$106.35 per
acre. It is now beyond doubt that
Alberta is the greatest grain produc-
ing province in the Dominion.

BORN

STEPHENSON—On Thursday, April
8th, at Taber, the wife of J. T.
Stephenson of a son.
Marion Crawford, the great novelist,
is dead.

SNOW BLINDNESS.

The Way This Terrible Affliction Af-
fects Its Victims.

Snow blindness is an affliction little
known through description, though not
very difficult to describe, for here the
strongest adjectives need few qualifi-
cations. The pain does not follow im-
mediately upon the straining which
seems to be its cause. After a long
day of haze the traveler finds when he
goes into camp that his eyes are ita-
le-itchy and that they water if he
comes too near a fire or any source of
heat. Later they feel as if there were
a trace of smoke in the tent, then as if
a grain or two of sand had got under
the eyelids and finally as if the eye
sockets were lined with sandpaper.
Every movement of the eye causes
pain, and then the pupils begin to close
without a provoking roll of the eye-
ball. At first there is a dull ache grow-
ing gradually sharper until toward
morning of a sleepless night it throbs
through the eyes every few seconds
with twinges comparable to, but not
equalled by, the cause of tooth aches.
It is the only affliction of the eye
which the ordinary Eskimo knows
except the severity of the attack
diminishes toward the end of the first
twenty-four hours. For the larger part
of that time the sufferer usually keeps
his eyes closed and his head bowed, try-
ing out sharply, lying on his face, with
both hands covering his closed eyes to
keep out the faintest possible light. On
the second or perhaps third day he is
able to travel, but is very nearsighted
and sees everything double. In a week
or so, if the weather is hazy or he is
travelling, the same kind of attack may
have another attack, but the first at-
tack of the year is the most severe ap-
proach. Every attack weakens the
eyes and predisposes to further attacks,
which—at least the Eskimos believe
finally lead to total blindness, an af-
fection rather common among the Es-
kimos.
Keeping the eyes from strain and, if
possible, focusing them continually on
one dark object, such as a black dog
or a stump, is believed by the na-
tives to be the chief safeguard. The
snow view is held by many of the
northwest mounted police, whose
cries within the Arctic and on the
dunes of the northwest frequently ex-
cite them to snow blindness. Nothing
perhaps could more clearly bring out
the trying nature of the affliction than
the fact that one or more suicides among
the policemen on spring duty in the
northwest are attributed to inability
to bear the pain of snow blindness.
Occasionally the police employ the
trick of painting the horse black and
trying to focus the eyes upon it. This
type of cure may have something to do
with the effectiveness of this scheme.
—V. Stenstrom in Harper's Magazine.

Why We Sleep.

The well known explanation that the
stiffness of the atmosphere in a
church is the cause of sleepiness in
members of the congregation is, ac-
cording to the Review Scientific
Paris, "insufficient." If this hypothe-
sis were tenable, argues our authority,
it is manifest that the congregation, or
those members of it who react readily
to a soporific agent, would go to sleep
before the sermon began. Now, it is
notorious that the sleeping is done dur-
ing the sermon. The true explanation
is that the auditor unconsciously hypno-
tizes himself by the effort to keep
the gaze for a long period upon a
single object, whether the countenance
of the preacher or the pulpit or what
not. The more desperate the effort to
keep the sermon the savor this effect
of self hypnosis. Those who sleep
during the sermon are consequently
very members of a congregation
who are entitled to the highest praise
for their conscientious effort to follow
the words of the preacher.—Current
Literature.

One System That Won.

"He who beats the bank today will
be looked for to lose it tomorrow,"
was a favorite saying of M. Blanc,
owner of the casino at Monte Carlo.
There have been many systems that
were called bluffing, but for the
purpose of breaking the bank from the
"Mauvaise" to the "Bonne" and Labou-
reux, but only one of them all has
ever given the keepers of the bank a
moment's real anxiety. This was the
discovery of a keen eyed old lady who
deserved that if the croupier spun with
certain numbers opposite him certain
other numbers inevitably won. As a
matter of fact, it was all very simple.
The roulette wheel had become warped
and was not quite round and thus
invariably stuck at easily ascertainable
figures. This little discovery put 300-
50 francs into the pockets of the old
lady and her accomplices before M.
Blanc—Westminster Gazette.

Some German Composers.

In answer to a correspondent "Mon-
ster" gives a list showing the "pro-
ductiveness" of some German composers.
Franz Schubert, 314 compositions,
published, created 2,610 compositions,
of which 179 were choruses, 106
songs and 1,534 songs. Johann Sebastian
Bach is credited with 1,102 com-
positions, of which 225 were for the or-
gan and 611 were choruses. Beetho-
ven's compositions are placed at 489;
Brahms, 538; Handel, 397; Haydn, 575;
Liszt, 555; Mozart, when he was thirty-
three years old, had written 620 com-
positions; Raff, 306; Ruckert, 539;
Schubert, thirty-one years old, 791;
Schumann, forty-six years old, 671.
When we except Chopin and Liszt,
who wrote for pedagogical purposes,
Mozart and Schubert rank highest for
prolific work. The statistician did not
consider in his list the compositions in-
cluded for the stage.

FOR SALE AT SNAP PRICE

Good half section two miles from Purple Springs. Price a snap; terms easy for quick sale. Further particulars apply at this office. 6-tf

THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 1909.

LOCALS

The Hammer Land Co. full of business. 9-1t

Seed potatoes for sale at J. F. Johnson's, Bountiful. 6-tf

Mr. Glaysher, manager of Rogers-Junioringham, was in Lethbridge on business Tuesday.

Mr. J. H. Bennett moved his house onto his homestead, five miles south-east of Taber, on Friday.

Two acre lots for sale opposite the Grand Stand. Snap to cash purchaser. Apply Free Press Office. 4-tf

Parents whose children will start school this term should send them by Monday the 19th, as no new classes will be started after that date.

E. B. Tainter, of the Stewart and Matthews Co. Ltd., is prepared to buy some good wild or partly improved farm lands in the vicinity of Taber. 9-4t

\$35 new shack, 10 by 15, partly finished; also two lots, Fourth St. South, if required. Combs, south of track. 9-1tp

Still they come! The following arrived here Monday from North Dakota: S. Lee, Thos. Moore, Jno. J. Larsen and A. B. Het; also H. J. Swandell from Moose Jaw.

FOR SALE.—426 Acres, Section 10 Township 11, Range 15, on Crop Payment Plan, at \$15 per acre with \$1 per acre cash; balance payable by half crop each year. W. R. Dobbin, Lethbridge, Alberta. 51-tf

FOR SALE BY OWNER.—North half section 33, township 9, range 15, west 4th mer. First-class land 2½ miles from station and coal mine. Any reasonable offer considered. Apply Peter Warren, New Westminster. 2-tf

A number of the local Oddfellows went to Lethbridge on Tuesday afternoon to attend the dedication ceremony and opening of the new Oddfellows Hall there. The hall is a beautiful brick structure and is a credit to the industry of the Lethbridge Lodge. There were about 125 present at the gathering. After the beautiful ceremony those present retired to Oliver's Hall, where a sumptuous banquet was partaken of, followed by many interesting addresses. The Taber boys had a royal reception and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Those who attended were—H. P. Munro, S. Ervine, J. Truswell, U. F. Stanley, P. Hammer, R. D. Shiels, J. G. McDonald, E. L. Sparks, W. E. Walker, A. H. Brown, J. R. Milligan, A. L. Mitchell, T. M. Potter and Dr. W. H. Lang.

On Tuesday evening the 13th inst. a concert was given in the Taber Opera House in aid of the Taber Brass Band and proved very successful. The band occupied the stage and, under the able leadership of Mr. Robt. Ivey, is making rapid strides in the musical line. Although the instruments only arrived some two weeks ago the music discoursed on this occasion was of a high class and would do credit to any band. We hope the citizens will encourage and support the efforts of their band which has made such a good start. The programme consisted of several selections from the Band; vocal solos by Miss Jean Miller, J. R. Shearer and Dr. Lang; two clarinet duets by Messrs. Robert They and Frank Johnson; a monologue by Mr. J. J. Walton, entitled "I Haven't the Nerve." The selections were well rendered and received hearty encores. After the programme the band rendered choice music and an enjoyable time was spent in dancing.

Mr. G. J. Loomis was in Lethbridge Tuesday.

W. W. Douglas is in Winnipeg this week on business.

G. C. Millat was a visitor to Medicine Hat on Good Friday.

Three-roomed cottage to let south of the track. Key at Westlake's. 8-tf

A. J. McLean, M.L.A., went to Pincher Creek Friday last on business.

Last Friday being Good Friday the business places in the town were closed for the day.

Tenders are called for the erection of a schoolhouse in the Marchessault district.

Henry Bros. have opened up a real estate office in the Cousins' building south of the track.

Alex. Thompson is taking charge of D. J. McMillan's store during the latter's absence on his homestead.

The demand for farm lands is increasing every day and many land seekers are dropping off here to invest.

The Hammer Land Co. reports a number of good sales the past week. It says to send us your listed property. 9-1t

Miss Macleod and Miss Marshall of the Public School staff spent the Easter holidays in Raymond visiting friends.

When it comes to grain, Southern Alberta leads the procession. We grow the best in the world and defy competition.

A little stranger arrived at the residence of J. T. Stephenson last week, where he intends to make his future home.

Applications for hotel license renewals will be considered at a meeting of the License Commissioners at Lethbridge on the 13th May.

The rush of Americans has already begun. The estimate is made that 70,000 Americans will settle in Canada this year. Let 'em all come.

Don't finch, flounder, fall over, nor fiddle, but grapple like a man. A man who wills it can go anywhere and do what he determines to do.

L.O.O.F. anniversary service will be held on the 25th inst. at three o'clock in the Presbyterian Church. All Oddfellows are invited to attend. Parade from the hall at 2.30.

WANTED.—A Half Section or more near Taber, on half-crop payments. Owners only apply Imperial Development Company, Ltd., Box 1740, Lethbridge. 47-tf

A special meeting of the Board of Trade is called for Tuesday evening next at 8 o'clock sharp in the Fire Hall. Business of importance will be considered and a good attendance is requested.

Owing to the present difficulty experienced in securing a sufficiency of treatises from the eastern provinces for the schools of Alberta the Department of Education has decided to accept applications from duly qualified pedagogues from over the water.

There is some talk now of an electric railway. The proposed line we understand will be from Macleod to Medicine Hat. In the opinion of many the talk of an electric railway is all a dream, but on the other hand there is a possibility of such a railway being built.

The coming of spring has a different meaning to all of us. To lovers it means romance and perhaps a June wedding. To the married man the terrors of house cleaning. To the preacher, short sermons. To the girl ice cream and canoe trips. To the boy, baseball and lacrosse.

The Knights of Pythias met Wednesday evening in the Oddfellows' Hall. There was a good attendance. The following officers were elected for the ensuing term:—Geo. Witter, O.C.; L. T. Westlake, V.C.; Rev. D. Jones, P.; C. E. Furman, M.A.; A. L. Wood, I.G.; J. B. Jett, O.G.; R. G. Duggan, M.W.; Robert Ivey, K.R.S.; J. B. White, M.F.; R. D. Shiels, M.E. It was decided to ask C. F. P. Conybare, Deputy Grand Master of Lethbridge, to be present on the evening of the 26th inst. to install the new officers.



THE LIQUOR LICENSE ORDINANCE

Application for Renewal of Liquor Licenses

The following Applications for Renewal of Hotel Licenses will be considered by the Board of License Commissioners at the Annual Meeting to be held at Lethbridge on Thursday the 15th day of May, 1909, at 3 o'clock p.m.:

Carroll and Doyle, for renewal of hotel license in respect of the Taber Hotel, situate on Lots 26, 27 and 28 Block 2, Taber, Alberta.

Dated at Edmonton this 10th day of April, 1909. A. Y. BLAIR, Acting Deputy Attorney General.

We have had variable weather to experience the week, snow, wind and sunshine alternating.

Mr. D. McEwen, representing the Toronto Globe, gave the Free Press a business call Tuesday.

Mrs. Isabella McLean is constructing a residence on the south side of the track. J. E. Evanson has the contract.

Rygg's Orchestra will give a dance at the Taber Opera House on Friday, April 23rd. They are all artists in their profession. 9-1t

The Cherry store building west of the Taber Hotel is now about completed and will be one of the best store buildings in town.

Taber Lodge, No. 25, I.O.O.F., are giving an "at home" on Monday evening the 29th, in Cousins Hall. All Oddfellows are invited to be present.

See D. W. Coulter, field salesman, Atlantic-Pacific Land Syndicate, at Union Hotel, Taber, if interested in buying or selling land, wholesale or retail. 3-tf

On board the Flyer one night this week, as the well-known express was speeding westwards on its journey, many remarks of an appreciative nature were heard concerning the brilliant opportunities which the land round and about Taber affords the prospective farmer. "What a splendid country this," "The best I've seen since I left the States," and so on, were heard at frequent intervals. What makes it more appreciative is the fact that the above remarks were given utterance to by men well qualified to know what they are talking about—men who are at the present time farming across the line, but who, on seeing the excellent prospects which the land in this district offers, cannot resist its alluring tendency, and will purchase some of it as soon as they can complete their arrangements at home for selling out. We extend a hearty welcome to them and also to any others whom they may influence to do likewise.

North of River

Mason Darrow is living on his claim.

Mr. Jacobson and family have returned to their homestead.

Mr. Finders has gone to North Dakota on a business trip.

Mr. Haywood is looking after his claim near Ernest Freefields.

Mr. Wilner has been on business to North Dakota and returned.

Everybody out here is busy getting their homesteads ready for seeding.

Mr. Wright and family arrived last week and are improving their claim.

Mr. D. G. Burns is pushing work on his homestead and he is now ready for seeding.

Jacob Tyler is located on his claim in 13-17; also Frank Fowler in the east half of 13-17.

Ira Rice's health has been rather poor of late, but he is able to attend to his work on his claim.

Billy Brunton had his left hand shot off by a dynamite cartridge which exploded in his hand.

Mr. Fred Longacre has returned from North Dakota after an absence of several weeks. He was married while there.

"Success to Fred and his lovely wife" is the wish of his many friends north of the river. May they enjoy many blessings in their wedded life.

Correspondence

HOSPITAL WANTED.

To the Editor, Taber Free Press.

Dear Sir,—May I trespass on a small space in your valuable paper to say a few words to the citizens of Taber and surrounding districts, re the subject of a hospital? As we all know lately we have had several cases requiring the need of a surgical operation and that in two cases which were taken to Lethbridge the result was the loss of two lives. Not saying that the result might not have been the same, I believe that if the town had a small hospital sufficiently equipped for the doctors to perform an operation in at the proper time without the necessity of sending to Lethbridge or to some other place I think we might be spared the loss of some dear ones.

We have in our doctors here thoroughly competent men to perform most operations providing they have the proper place to do so. Having just lately had Dr. Lang and Dr. Leech, with the assistance of Mrs. (Dr.) Lang and Nurse Ashcroft, perform a most successful operation on my daughter, who I am very thankful to say is making a splendid recovery, I feel that the people of Taber should do something in the matter at once in regard to getting a suitable place for our good doctors to attend to any unfortunate friends or relations needing their services at any time.

In conclusion I wish to tender my heartfelt thanks to all kind friends during this our trying time.

Thanking you in advance for publishing this letter,

I am, yours respectfully,
C. C. COLLETT.

WORLD'S NEWS IN BRIEF

A great quicksilver find has been made in the North Saskatchewan River bank. 29tc10

A big fire is raging at Rochester, N.Y., and has got beyond the control of the city brigade.

Saskatoon has been chosen by the Board of Governors as the site for the Saskatchewan University.

A man named Charles Murphy was found burned to death near Milestone, Sask. Foul play is suspected.

The report of commission on central railway says that Mr. Pugsley and Lieut.-Gov. Tweedie misappropriated \$134,000 of the funds of the railway.

Lord Aylmer and family are moving to Queen's Bay on Lake Kootenay, B.C., where they will reside permanently and engage in fruit farming.

Two C.P.R. trains collided near Tweed, Ottawa causing injury to several and a loss of \$30,000. The wreck was caused by the operator being asleep when orders were given.

"Fighting Bob" Evans has been in Vancouver. A few evenings ago the grizzly old sea dog dodged into the harbour and out again before they had time to organize a civil reception.

Three Germans who descended in a balloon near Paris are arrested, as there is a suspicion that these aerial cruisers are there for the purpose of obtaining photographs and plans of fortresses.

Ex-President Castro of Venezuela is now between the devil and the deep sea. He is isolated at Fort de France and if he moves to Venezuela territory arrest awaits him.

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A new item of expenditure will appear in the accounts for the current year, and that will be the cost of the free rural delivery inaugurated in a few localities in Southwestern Ontario during the progress of the electoral campaign of last autumn. If that service is considerably extended during the year it is doubtful if a surplus can be shown at the end of the year for free rural delivery, advantageous and even necessary as it undoubtedly is. However, the rural population are entitled to it as soon as the country can afford to meet the cost.

TALES OF MUSICIANS

Eccentric Moods and Manners of the Great Composers.

THE MADNESS OF GENIUS.

Beethoven's Strange Abstraction and Quaint Habits—The Odd Contract That Mozart Insisted on Signing—Mozart Inspired by Thunder.

When listening to the wonderful strains of Beethoven's immortal symphonies and sonatas it is difficult to imagine that they could come from the pen of such an eccentric man. Though musicians are, as a rule, men with many peculiarities, Beethoven was probably the most extraordinary of them all.

He wrote his music in all sorts of places—when dining, walking or conversing with a friend. Often in the midst of a crowded street he would stop and write furiously for a few minutes on the back of a letter or an envelope, oblivious to the hurrying crowd about him. Some of his greatest themes were composed when he was walking along in the pouring rain, for in the worst weather he was a familiar figure in the streets of Vienna, and, though often the object of much ridicule and many jokes, he was profoundly indifferent to his surroundings, as his mind was wholly occupied with his music. His friends were not accustomed to see him knock off in the midst of a conversation and begin to write rapidly some motif which had presented itself to him.

This great composer would play for hours at a stretch, and in order to cool his hands, which often became feverish, he would seize a water jug and walk about the room with his head in the water on one hand and then on the other, utterly ignoring the fact that there was no receptacle to catch it. This was the cause of many of his hasty retreats from his lodgings, for the slightest complaint would cause him to give notice to quit, so people were at times. As a result he some times was paying for no fewer than three different lodgings at the same time, which, after occupying for a month, he had abruptly left in a day.

Though Haydn ranks next to Beethoven on the list of eccentric musicians, still their peculiarities were very unlike. Beethoven lived in the midst of disorder and confusion, while Haydn seemed that he could not compose a line unless everything in his study was in its exact place. Even every ornament must be where it belonged.

He always rose early to write, for he found his greatest inspiration when the birds were singing in the dewy morning hours. His most extraordinary characteristic, however, was to do his full court dress, with his wig, hat and ruffles, and put on his livery a certain ring before he wrote a line, for he declared that he had not a musical idea unless so attired.

Mozart cannot be called eccentric in the same sense as the two mentioned, for they were writing in the forties—while he was to a great extent a man of the world. To him, however, must be credited one of the strangest documents that perhaps have ever been written.

He was engaged to a young woman, and at the request of his future mother-in-law he drew up in the presence of an attorney a contract which bound him to marry one of the young man's daughters within three years; the said daughter always having the liberty to refuse the composer if she wished to marry another. But in case Mozart was unable to carry out his intention through lack of the necessary funds or through the woman's refusal he pledged himself to support her in the condition of a stranger, wherever she or how she lived, all her life. This support was to be a fixed sum paid quarterly or half yearly.

Wagner, too, was not exempt from peculiar fancies. His mind seemed to run to the gruesome, and during his lifetime he had his grave constructed. It was in the garden back of his house and he would often go and look at it that he might not forget its existence. But the worst of it was that he constantly insisted that his friends should remember it, too, and when he was entertaining them at dinner he would suddenly break out the conversation and begin declaiming on eternity and the grave.

"My friends," he would say, "in the midst of life we are in death. Death is not that we all must face, even the great a man as myself. I, too, must die. I should like very much to show you my grave, if you will allow me."

And, starting from the dinner table he would lead the way, followed by his guests, to the corner of the garden where his grave was, and there he would give his companions further dissertations on eternity.

Maybe he gathered his thoughts, amid the rumble of thunder, the flash of lightning and downpour of rain. In order more fully to expose himself to the stimulating effects of nature he had constructed for himself at the top of his house a room whose sides were entirely of glass, and here he would hasten and amid his fury would have a run of musical thoughts.

There is a story about him to the effect that one day when he was returning from dinner he heard a distant murmur of thunder just as the soup course was served, and to the astonishment of his guests he hurried from the room to his musical chamber and left them to take care of themselves for the rest of the evening.

The Italian composer Donizetti court-

ASCENSION ISLAND.

One Place in This Busy World Where Money is Useless.

Now and then one hears of out of the way places where the conventions of life, as they are understood, do not exist. One of these is where money is useless. This is Ascension Island, in the Atlantic.

This island is the property of the British admiralty and is governed by a captain of the royal navy. There is no private property in land; so there are no rents, taxes, etc. The docks and herds are public property, and the meat killed is issued in rations. So are the vegetables grown on the farm.

When a fisherman makes a catch he brings it to the guard room, where it is issued by the sergeant major. The only private property here is fowls and pigeons. Even the wild donkeys are under government control. They are listed on the books of the paymaster and are handed over at stock taking.

The population consists of a few blacksmiths, a company of marines and some French from Sierra Leone. There is a marine can do anything. The muleteer is a marine; so are the painters, the shepherds, the stock men, the brewers, the masons, the carpenters and the plumbers. Even the island friar, who gets rewards for the souls of rats, is a marine—Ex change.

DEAN SWIFT'S CHANCE.

His Marriage of a Country Couple Caught in a Storm.

It is related of the whimsical Dean Swift that on one occasion when caught in a shower of rain he took shelter under a wide spreading tree, where he found a party of young people waiting for the storm to pass.

One, a girl, was weeping, and the dean learned that she was on her way to church to marry a young fellow who was with her.

The party were waiting, as was then the custom in country districts, for the storm to pass. They were waiting, as was then the custom in country districts, for the storm to pass. They were waiting, as was then the custom in country districts, for the storm to pass.

Under a tree in stormy weather I married this man and woman together. Let none but him who raises the thunder. Sever this man and woman asunder.

—Reynolds's Newspaper.

A Bunker.

He was a twentieth century bustling builder, and under his auspices cottages and buildings seemed to spring up like mushrooms.

"Please, sir," said one of his foremen, rushing up to him one morning in a state of great agitation, "one of the houses has fallen down in the night."

"What?" he roared. "You mean to say that one of the houses has fallen down in the night?"

"Yes, sir," said the foreman. "Well, what can you expect, you rank outsider? Get yourself a foreman. Get off the works! You're sacked!"—London Globe.

Two Rights and a Wrong.

A Camden shoe man sold a pair of shoes recently to a woman and after she had left the store discovered that he had made the mistake of giving the customer two rights, instead of a right and left, as is customary. Rushing after the woman, he offered to make the wrong right, but was curtly refused, as the customer was satisfied, as she had a wooden leg on the left side anyhow and needed only one right shoe. Now the dealer considers himself humiliated, because for the price of one pair of shoes he has really supplied the customer with two pairs.

The Other Half Is Waiting.

One of the most pitiable sights in the world is that of people who are using only a small bit of their ability while the rest of it is waiting to be used. It is still ineffective because of the many little weaknesses or peculiarities, the bad habits or the lack of preparation which handicaps and makes practically ineffective the whole life. How pitiable to see splendid talent, fine ability, everywhere tied down by comparative little things!

A Good Memory.

"Excuse me, sir, but haven't we met before? Your face is strangely familiar."

"Yes, madam, our host introduced us to each other just before dinner."

"I was so busy that I never saw you since. I never forget a face."

—Exchange.

The Omen.

Mr. Newkewell—But, my love, why are you weeping? Mrs. Newkewell—John, John! I've noticed that the kitchen and saw that cook has on her traveling gown.

In Nineteen Something Else.

The dead man found on the fifty-first story building is believed to have fallen from a neighboring roof. He was terribly crushed.

Do that hope what he does not want

Do that hope what he does not want will soon want what he cannot buy.—Simmons.

MARTIAN LIFE.

Conditions Make For Creatures of an Advanced Order of Intellect.

Whatever its actual age, our life now existent on Mars must be in the land stage of its development—on the whole, a much higher one than the one on earth. But, more than this, it should probably have gone much further if it exists at all in its evolving of terra firma. Mars has far outstripped the earth. Mars' surface is now all land. Its forms of life must be not only terrestrial as against aquatic, but even as supposed to be sentient ones. It must have reached not simply the stage of land dwelling where the possibilities are greater for those able to embrace them, but that further point of pinching poverty where brain is needed to survive at all.

The struggle for existence in the planet's desolate and decay would tend to evolve intelligence to cope with circumstances growing momentarily more and more diverse. But further more, the solidarity that the conditions prescribed would conduce to a breadth of understanding sufficient to utilize it. Intercommunication over the whole globe is made not only possible but obligatory. This would lead to the easier spreading over it of some dominant creature, especially were this the case of an advanced order of intelligence.

able to rise above its bodily limitations to comprehension of the conditions through exercise of mind. What absence of sense would thus entail absence of mountains would further remove two obstacles to distribution. If moved, life there would tend the quicker to reach a highly organized stage. Then Martian conditions themselves make for intelligence. Perceptual Lowest in Century.

RAYS AND SKATES.

They Are Known to Fishermen as the Jokes of the Sea.

"The rays and skates are the jokes of the sea. Their bodies are as flat as the pancakes made by the man in white on a griddle in the window of a 'beef' and 'restaurant.' Their eyes look open and they have tails as slender and tapering as the whip of a rhapsodist of a circus."

In the United States the most common rays are called "skates" and "whip tailed rays" because of their long slender tails with their erectile spines at the end, capable of inflicting severe and dangerous wounds, are frequently called sting rays. The common sting ray feeds on oysters, clams and other valuable mollusks and in the Atlantic is known as the "clam creeper."

Of the skates the commonest as well as the smallest species on the Atlantic coast is known as the tobacco box; the largest is only called the horn door. On the western coast of the United States is found the big skate, which reaches a length of six feet, two feet larger than its eastern relative.

Because of its habit of rolling itself up when caught the common skate is called "bent skate." It is also known as the "bachelorette ray."

On the New Jersey coast the trawl fishermen cut off the broad, fleshy wings and they are sold as "rattles," sometimes bringing \$5 and even 10 cents a pound. These men call the fish "poisson," as a rule, anglers throw the fish back into the water as being of no value.

Not at All Like Him.

To the studio of an artist who had just finished a portrait of a distinguished resident of a neighboring city a friend of the sister came to look at the newly painted canvas. The visitor was disappointed and not particularly well acquainted with the subject. He wanted to see how good a likeness had been made of his friend. He kept asking nearer and nearer to the painting and finally put his finger as if to touch it. The artist was getting nervous at the approach of the finger of the paint, and he begged the visitor not to touch the portrait, as it was not dry. The disappointed man put down his hand and walked to the door, turning only to say, "If it isn't dry it isn't my friend." And he walked out.

The Land of Fire and Ice.

An example of the strangeness of Iceland is furnished by the volcano Katla. This is buried under immense snow fields, but from time to time its fire bursts through the glittering blanket, and then such floods are poured from the molting ice that a great stretch of country between the volcano and the sea is inundated and huge masses of ice are carried out into the sea. It is unsafe even to cross the territory lying between Katla and the sea, so suddenly come the floods.

Their Crimes.

Two boys of street Free Church partridge and snatching in a Scottish town were committing inquiries. One boasted that he had fortuitously been at a circus show. "Ah, but I have done worse than that," said the other, "for I've been sure in the pit at the theater and twice in the Established Kirk."—Blackwood's Magazine.

A Pet Answer.

Mistress (astonished)—You can't read, Nora? Good gracious! How did you ever learn to cook so well? New Cook—Sure, no, O my, if I could learn to read I'd be able to make the best of the cookbooks.—Town and Country.

His Weight.

"What do you think young Humphrey weighs?"

"About 200 pounds on the scales and about ten pounds in the community."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A GREAT WRESTLER.

His Encounter With the Bear and the Agonistic Reward.

One of the stories of Peter the Great which are current at the court of St. Petersburg is of the great czar's wrestling match with a young dragon. Once in the imperial palace—so the story goes—Peter was at table with a great many princes and noblemen, and soldiers were posted within the hall. The czar was in a joyous mood, and, rising, called out to the company: "Listen, princes and nobles! There among you one who will wrestle with the czar?" There was no reply, and the czar repeated the challenge.

No prince or nobleman dared to wrestle with his sovereign. But at once a young dragon stepped out from the ranks of the soldiers on guard. "Listen, orthodox czar," he said. "I will wrestle with thee." "Well, young dragon," said Peter. "I will wrestle with thee, but on these conditions: If thou throwest me I will pardon thee, but if thou art thrown thou shalt be beheaded. Will thou wrestle on those conditions?"

"I will, great czar," said the soldier. They closed, and presently the soldier with his left arm threw the czar and his right arm he threw the dragon, falling to the ground. The sovereign was clearly better. The czar offered the soldier whatever reward he should get, and he was usually given the privilege of drinking free as long as he lived in all the tuns belonging to the crown. What became of him history does not say.

ATOMIC WORLDS.

There May Be a Billion of Them in a Space of Dust.

How would you like to live in an atom—to be one of the millions of inhabitants of a world so small that you could even see it beneath a microscope?

The scientists tell us that each atom is a solar system, with its central sun and revolving planets in its orbit, and that little atom people live and love and fight and die there and never know but what they are just the biggest and most important folks that live. There are military atomites there, no doubt, who strut around and get tangled up in their swords and give orders in gruff voices; atomites who star in atomic theaters and are adored by lovely atomite maidens and criticized by the trenchant pens of the newspaper men.

There is every reason to believe that life in the atom is much like life in the earth and that the kings and emperors there make war on their distant enemies and have their peace conferences and their periods of financial stringency. The joke of it is that they probably take themselves seriously, and, though there may be a billion atomic worlds in a space of dust, there is never an inhabitant of one of them that knows how small he is and how much he misses by not being a man instead of an atomite.

Slow Motion Ripening.

Not infrequently those mortalities that ripen the slowest last the longest, and often the history of these great men is a long, persistent neglect and worldly coldness until forty more years have passed before their greatness has been conceded by their contemporaries. Truly "the life history of a great genius is almost invariably one of a sad and somber tone, a walk apart from the beaten path." Such are the words of one who should know what the "doors of death" must endure. Be this as it may, it is now recognized that many of the finest achievements in business, statesmanship, literature and in all activities have been wrought by men long past sixty. "Writes one, 'A strong man, an old man, a man of the world, a man of his ambition and working ability.'"—W. A. Newman, Dutton in Century.

The Silkworm.

Upon attaining full growth the silkworm becomes restless, stops feeding and throws out silken threads. The silk is formed in a fluid condition and issues from the body of the worm in a glutinous state, apparently in a single thread. From this silk the worm constructs its cocoon, an interval of from three to five days being required to complete its imprisonment in the envelope. In order that the silken strands may not be subjected to the danger of breakage by the moth emerging from the cocoon, the cocoons are steamed. After the insects are dead, the silken threads are spun into threads.

Exasperating, Truly.

Mrs. Hingley-Clair, I must insist that you send young Mr. Grauley away earlier. It was long after 11 o'clock last night when you closed the front door after him. Clara—I know, mamma, and I have made up my mind a dozen different times to make him leave early, but he has a way somehow of always giving the impression long after the shock of the evening has passed that he is just about to say something one has been waiting for. It's awful exasperating!

Idle Curiosity.

"Why are you calling up the various hospitals?"

"My friend Suggestable assured me he'd pay me \$5 today or break a leg, and I want to find out which leg he broke."

Easy.

Lady (on street)—Do you know where Johnny Tucker lives, my little boy?

Little Boy—He ain't home, but if you give me a nickel I'll say him for you.

Lady—All right. Now, where is he?

Little Boy—Thanks. I'm home—father.

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